

News From Howard County Police

Howard County police are charging two men with committing a carjacking in Columbia last week. One of the men is also being charged in an additional carjacking. The other is being charged in an additional robbery incident. Detectives believe the suspects may be involved in a total of four recent similar cases in Columbia.

Ledell Padmore, 38, of Green Meadow Dr. in Columbia and Taylor James Pugh, 25, of Green Meadow Dr. in Columbia (neighboring apartment) have been arrested. Padmore has been charged in a carjacking, Cedar Lane (October 6 (with Pugh)) and a robbery on Little Patuxent Parkway (October 9). Pugh has been charged in a carjacking, Cedar Lane (October 6 (with Padmore)) and carjacking, Blue February Way (October 11).

Click here to read the October 13 news release.

Due to the similarities in the crimes and the suspect descriptions, police are investigating whether both Padmore and Pugh were involved in all four incidents. Additional information will be released if additional charges are filed.

MDOT Tour

The Maryland Department of Transportation staff will visit Howard County on Friday, October 23 to present the 2016-2021 Consolidated Transportation Program. This public meeting includes brief presentations on the draft plan and provides the community with an opportunity to ask questions and give feedback. The meeting will be held in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building (3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City) at 7:00 p.m. Visit MDOT's webpage for more information.

Greeting

With each newsletter, I try to share cheerful and informative news. This week, I lead with news from our Police Department that is important for all of us to know. We are a community that cares for our friends and neighbors in many ways and this story is one way we can help one another by being aware of our surroundings.

Within Reach Festival

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Join the Downtown Columbia Partnership on Saturday, October 17, 4:00 – 10:00 p.m. at the American City Building Parking Lot (10227 Wincopin Circle, Columbia 21044) for a fall fete supporting the Downtown Columbia Festival of the Arts & Stand Up to Cancer. This event features five national touring bands, Celebrity chef Spike Mendlesohn working with other chefs and restaurateurs preparing gourmet festival food and Mixologist Gina Cherservani who has created a special cocktail to be served with a culinary bite in the festival's VIP Lounge. The Metropolitan Columbia Beer Garden will feature Maryland craft brewers and the Petit Louis Wine Café will offer a special selection of wines hand-picked by Tony Foreman. Visit the website for details.

50+ EXPO This Friday

The popular 50+EXPO is back for a 17th fabulous year. Presented by the Howard County Office on Aging, this premier event, geared toward adults age 50 and older, caregivers, family members and health care professionals, will be held on Friday, October 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Wilde Lake High School, 5460 Trumpeter Road in Columbia. New this year, there is a \$1.00 admission fee for everyone age 18 and older. All proceeds benefit the Office's Vivian L. Reid Community Fund, which provides emergency financial assistance to Howard County's older adults and adults with disabilities. Click here for all the latest information.

Clarksville Pike Design Guidelines

The Department of Planning and Zoning has developed the Final Draft of the Clarksville Pike Streetscape Plan and Design Guidelines and will share this final draft with the community on Wednesday, October 21, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Claret Hall (6020 Daybreak Cir, Clarksville, MD 21029). The public is invited to attend to see how community comments have been incorporated into the draft plan.

Plant Native Trees

Howard County Recreation and Parks will host a Tree Planting Event on Saturday, October 24, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Middle Patuxent Environmental Area. Planting will include a variety of native trees supplied by the Howard County Forestry

Board. All necessary tools will be supplied although you are more than welcome to bring your own work gloves and a shovel.



The goal is to plant and properly shelter as many trees as possible

during the 3 hour event. The trees are part of the County's efforts to restore native vegetation to an area previously cleared of invasive plants by many volunteers and two herds of goats. Funding from the Chesapeake Bay Trust has made the entire project possible.

Meet at the main entrance, 5795 Trotter Road, Clarksville. Parking is limited; please carpool. Everyone is welcome to participate but all minors must have parental supervision. Please be prepared for a short 10-minute hike to the planting area. Bringing your own drinking water is recommended. RSVP by email or phone message to Jeff Claffy, jclaffy@howardcountymd.gov or (410)313-6209.

Relationships in the Adolescent Age



Join a discussion with other parents and a panel of experienced professionals on Thursday, October 22, 6:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. at Bain Center in Columbia to address appropriate dating behaviors.

Dating trends have changed with the onset of social media and technology, however adolescents are still dating and parents still prefer to know their teens are safe and that appropriate dating behaviors are being used. Click here to register online or call 410-313-1440.

Earth Forum

Senator Benjamin L. Cardin, a champion for the Chesapeake Bay, clean water, community sustainability, will address the Earth Forum on Sunday, October 18, 2:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Howard County. More information is available at www.earthforumhc.org. The event is free and open to the public.

Healthcare Jobs Fair

Howard County Office of Workforce Development will host a
Healthcare Recruitment Event on Wednesday, October 21, 9:00
a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Columbia Workforce
Center, 7161 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite D,
Columbia, 21046. Those seeking a new
position as Nurses, CAN/GNA, Dietary Staff,
Patient Transport, Environmental Services and
more should plan to participate. Dress for success and bring a
number of copies of your resume. Register online today at
EventBrite.

HC Environmental Services News

Yard Trim Transition

Howard County is currently transitioning to collect yard trim without plastic bags. Please use reusable containers, paper bags or bundle yard trim for collection. Click here to learn more about this mandatory transition.

Choose the Best Option for You:
Send your leaves to a better place...compost
Master Gardener's Rake & Take
Don't bag grass/leaves...grasscycle
Drop-off yard trim at the Alpha Ridge Landfill
Curbside yard trim recycling pick-up

County Shredding Event

Howard County residents may bring up to three bags or boxes of paper to be shredded onsite at the Long Gate Park and Ride (Route 100 Exit 1A, Ellicott City) on Saturday, October 17, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. This event is rain or shine. For more information, contact the Bureau of Environmental Services at 410-313-6444.

How to Be a GREAT Grandparent

Having grandchildren is exciting, but a lot has changed in parenting since grandparents were parents. This workshop will be held on Thursday, October 29, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Bain Center.

Attendees will learn:

The latest research based information to balance your tried and true skills with current best practices.



Discuss your role as a grandparent versus being the parent. Discover ways to safeguard your home for infants and toddlers.

Gather important resources to help support your children in their new role as parents.

To register online, please visit here or call 410-313-1440.

Community Planning Presentation

Join CA and Howard County Department of Planning and Zoning on Wednesday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. as they host speaker Don Elliott, FAICP who will discuss modern zoning codes address development and change in maturing large planned communities. Elliott is a Director with Clarion Associates, a national land use consulting firm based in Denver. Registration is appreciated, click here to register.

Don Elliott is the author of *A Better Way to Zone* and co-author of an American Planning Association book, *The Rules that Shape Urban Form*. Clarion Associates has drafted partial or complete new zoning codes for over 140 communities of all sizes – from Alaska to Florida and Maine to Arizona. Elliott is familiar with Maryland and is currently involved in developing a new development code for Prince George's County.

This event is part of CA's ongoing Community Building Speakers Series and will be held at Slayton House located in the Wilde Lake Village Center at 10400 Cross Fox Lane, Columbia, 21044.

Visit Columbia Archives in Their New Space

Columbia Association is having an open house at its new headquarters at 6310 Hillside Court on Saturday, October 24, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Columbia Archives will be showing off its new space and showcasing treasures from the collection.

HC Arts Center News

Upcoming Exhibits:

October 30 - December 11, 2015

Reception: November 6, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Gallery I: Art Howard County 2015
Gallery II: Touched by Nature

A celebration of local talent, *Art Howard County 2015* features 51 works in a variety of media by artists who live, work, or study in Howard County. This year's guest juror, Paula L. Phillips, Community Artist and Professor at MICA, will offer remarks and present juror awards at the reception on November 6. In Gallery II, *Touched by Nature* showcases artwork inspired by the natural world, including mixed-media paintings by Douglas Moulden, art quilts by Elaine Katz, and wood sculpture by George Wedberg. To learn more, visit the Exhibits page.

Black Box Theatre Presents:

October 23 & 24 - 8:00 p.m.

One-Act Play Festival, presented by Thunderous Productions. Tickets \$14–\$17, available at the door; cash only. For more information email Melanie Sales at melanie_s123@yahoo.com. thunderousproductions.org

October 30 – 7:00 p.m. (includes pre-show gala)

October 31 - 8:00 p.m.

Stop Kiss, a play presented by How Do You Like Me Now Productions. \$18–\$25. Contact Grant Myers at grant@erasehatethroughart.com or 301-802-4060 for ticket information.

Reminders

Candlelight Concert Society's 43rd Season

Candlelight Concert Society features the Kelemen Quartet at its season opener, on Saturday, October 17 at 8:00 p.m. in the Smith Theatre at the Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center, HCC. For tickets and more information, visit www.candlelightconcerts.org.

9 to 5, The Musical

Silhouette Stages presents *9 to 5, The Musical* to Slayton House on October 16-18, 23-25. Friday and Saturday performances start at 8:00 p.m. and the two Sunday matinees begin at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for General Admission or \$17 for Seniors (65+) and Students and can be purchased <u>online</u> (follow the Seat Yourself link) or directly at <u>SeatYourself.biz</u>.

MIHU Open Enrollment

Howard County Housing is accepting applications for Moderate Income Housing Unit (MIHU) program until October 30.

Current MIHU homeownership opportunities are available at Dorset Gardens at Blue Stream, Howard Square and Oxford Square. To rent an MIHU unit, an applicant's household income may not exceed 60% of the Howard County median income. MIHUs are rented on a first-come, first-served basis, with rents ranging from \$1,232 to \$1,905. MIHUs are interspersed throughout each community and residents enjoy all the amenities of community life. Alta at Regency Crest, Ashbury Courts, Belmont Station, Columbia Landing, Mission Place, Orchard Meadows, Orchard Park, Penniman Park and Woodfield Oxford Square are currently accepting MIHU rental applications. Prospective renters must apply directly to a participating rental community at any time during the year. Rental management addresses and phone numbers can be found on the MIHU website. For more information, call Howard County Housing's Homeownership Division at 410-313-6318 (select option 4) or visit the website.

Winter Growth Open House

Winter Growth invites the community to its open house on Saturday, October 17, 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. Meet the Rehabilitation Team, enjoy delicious refreshments, tour the new wing and you may win a door prize including a Kindle Voyage!



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